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2012 ATTS Benefit Auction Results

Reported by Monte C. Dean (R-384)

45 lots were listed and all of them sold with 38 different bidders and 19 winning bidders. An amazing total of 288 bids were placed for all listing, averaging over 6 bids per lot.

Results of sales, from highest price to lowest price, as follows:

Item	Sold for:
Misc. O3	155.50
Misc. O1	152.50
Misc. O2	152.50
NC Unlisted	80.77
WA L-103	42.07
Misc. O19	39.88
MO O23A	34.79
Misc. O4	29.99
MO O25	29.00
MO O28	26.00
MO O28 5M	20.50
NM S7	18.35
AL S18	17.35
Misc. O22	16.50
MI O10A	16.50

MI O10B	16.50
MO O28	16.50
Misc. R2	16.19
MS S1Ac(1)	15.50
Misc. O24	12.50
Misc. O21	11.82
MO Cs 119A	11.30
MO O12	11.20
OK S17	11.00
OH PC	10.50
Misc. O20	10.06
Misc. O20	9.50
AL S19	8.05
MO O19	7.16
MS S2a(3)	6.58
MS S1Aa(3)	6.50

Misc. O5	6.35
Misc. O23A	6.05
Misc. O23A	5.75
9 Tenino RP	3.30
JS Book	3.05
Misc. O23C	2.80
JS Book	2.54
JS Book	2.50
6 Misc. O23C	2.34
FL Unlisted	2.25
3 OH Books	.99
JS Book	.99
JS Book	.99
6 Misc. O23C	.99
45/45 Sold	\$1054.85

ACCOUNTING

TOTAL INCOME: \$1054.85

eBay Fees <83.11>

Pay Pal Fees <22.09>

DONATED: \$949.65

Check From JO \$195.38

Check From MD \$754.27



Misc. O1-O4 netted an incredible \$490.49 from three different bidders!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

This auction can most certainly be described as a success. One of the more interesting notes is that of the 19 winning bidders; only 11 of them were members of the ATTS. I sent applications to those 8 who were not members, and perhaps a few of them will join us.

There were a few bargains had in this auction, but the majority did sell for excellent prices, with the Misc. O1 to O3 each topping the \$150 mark, which was to be expected, considering that they are all true Rarity 10 items.

It was encouraging to see that the "regular" sales tax tokens that were listed did quite well and in many cases, such as for the OK S-17, AL S-18, and NM S-7, probably did better than might have been expected.

Thanks to both the contributors and the bidders for making this auction a success.

Editorial Comments

I want to thank Jerry Schimmel again for his generous donation of cash to the society and his donation of materials that resulted in a fantastic auction. These donations will help the society to survive for many years to come. Without his generosity and the generosity of many others we would cease to exist. In addition to money we need the efforts and time of our membership as well. We need to produce articles for the newsletter and donate time to serve on the ATTS board

In this newsletter you will find the final results of the auction as well as information on the upcoming election for 2013 officers for the ATTS. In addition to those articles there is a fantastic article by Monte Dean called **Crossing the Tracks** about the relationship that we tax token collectors share with the State Revenue Society and philatelists everywhere. We also have another great summary from tax token sales on Ebay from Ralph Harnishfeger.

I reiterate that I will no longer be the editor of the ATTS after the first of the year. Please give Mike Strub your support as he takes over editing and publishing the newsletter. I wish him all the wonderful experiences that I have been blessed to have since I took over as editor almost 10 years ago. I noted that a number of members did not renew their membership; I know several of these folks personally and will be reaching out to them in order to persuade them to return to the society. I look forward to Mike's input and twist on the newsletter, frankly I believe turnover and new blood is the spice that will keep any organization going. I really want to see what someone else can offer for new ideas and better ways to continue our evolution forward.

A major component of this evolution will be our website. The site needs a major overhaul and it is my hope that I can pursue this endeavor after my duties as editor conclude. I am interested in getting feedback from those that have used the web-site, so I can organize a better way to build the mousetrap. I want to make the site easy to navigate and full of useful information. I believe this is a critical step in the path forward to keep our organization growing and to attract younger more web savvy members.

The electronic newsletter project continues to struggle. The new computer equipment that I have purchased over the last several months will get another test to see if this can still be accomplished. If not I will have to go back to the drawing board. Frankly it's amazing that I can't seem to produce a newsletter electronically that is a small enough file size to easily e-mail to everyone. I understand the importance of developing this tool to help the society to better manage costs and continue to deliver high quality for a reasonable price.

There is an ATTS page on Face book, so anyone who wishes to join please feel free. You can post photos, ask questions and even chat with other members who may be online at the same time. We are still on Yahoo and continue to maintain www.taxtoken.org so there is no excuse to miss anything related to sales tax tokens online.

Sincerely, Robert W. Frye, editor (L-521)



2012 ATTS Election Information

By Robert W. Frye (L-521)

The ATTS received only one nomination for the election of 2012. The only nomination received was for the position of Editor, the person nominated is Mike Strub, R-504. He was nominated by Monte Dean, one of our At Large Board members. Below is Mike's response to the nomination.

I've thought a lot about taking on this commitment. I do feel a responsibility to do it. On the other hand, it is clearly a big job. I have so many projects that I've put on hold for years, with my many other responsibilities. I could assemble the newsletter, print it and mail it, but I don't feel I could provide much material for it, nor do much original research. However, you have pointed out below that you and a few other dedicated individuals would provide me with sufficient copy. If that should remain the case, I could take this on. I am interested if you still wish to nominate me. I attach my numismatic resume. Best Regards, Mike Strub

MICHAEL C. STRUB

Waterford, MI

Promethium@aol.com

SUMMARY

An honest, outgoing, organized professional with 29 years of progressive numismatic accomplishments. Skilled in grading, appraising, buying and selling US and foreign coins and tax tokens, and active in the numismatic community.

NUMISMATIC ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

Sole Proprietor, Promethium Numismatics, Waterford, MI

1996 - present

An avocational numismatic appraisal and sales business.

- I have appraised, bought, and sold coins, tokens, and paper money through mail order (84 customers at one time), and eBay, but mainly by setting up at coin shows in Michigan and Ohio. I pay taxes on my income - Michigan Sales Tax License, B TR-2295368.

Author and Editor, Numismatic Publications

2001 - present

MSNS "The MichMatist" author, Editor. ATTS Newsletter contributor.

- Ten feature articles for MichMatist over 7 years. Since becoming editor in 2006, improved paper, editing, size, quality, and added color – recognized with bonus from MSNS board.
- As member of American Tax Token Society (ATTS), studied Arizona and Washington State Sales Tax Token die varieties. Discovered new die variety of 1-Mill token (AZ-S5D) and documented in ATTS Newsletter.

Volunteer**2000 - present**

Teacher; Board Member; Charity Work.

- Developed and gave 8-session mini-course in Numismatics as after-school enrichment program for children at the Japhet School in Madison Heights, MI. Also give talks on coins and collecting to classes and clubs.
- Board member of MSNS, elected to 4 consecutive 2-year terms to date. Regularly volunteer to help set up MSNS conventions, take minutes at board meetings.
- Donate numismatic appraisals to charity auctions for the March of Dimes, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, and the United Way. Over \$3500 raised in 8 years.

Memberships

#8592 Michigan State Numismatic Society

#R-9500 Central States Numismatic Society

#R-1216287 American Numismatic Association

#R-504 American Tax Token Society

#684 Lincoln Coin Club (Wyandotte)

Member Marysville Coin Club

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, MI****2003 - present**

A \$269B global automotive industry leader

Information Technology Solution Architect.

- Prepare projects for management review to ensure adherence to best practices and corporate standards for software and hardware acquisition and integration.

Promethium Consulting, Waterford, MI**1996, 2002 - 2007**

A personal technical consultancy

Data Exchange Standard Expert; Technical Writer.

- Developed international standards documents and taught about them here and abroad.

Automotive Industry Action Group, Southfield, MI**1993 - 2005**

A consortium of North American automotive industry companies.

Volunteer.

- Active on data exchange standard committees. 1999 Outstanding Achievement Award Honoree.

EDS, Troy, MI**1986 – 2002**

The \$21B information technology services leader, employing 140,000 people in 60 countries.

Programmer, Business Analyst, international data exchange standard developer, Software tester, Technical Writer, Corporate Trainer.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO, Moscow, ID – Bachelor of Science Mechanical Engineering 1986

The board entered into a discussion and eventual resolution to concerns about the expense of conducting an election with all positions in the election running unopposed. Below is a summary and excerpts from those discussions along with an explanation for the procedures.

Simply put all positions are being run without opposition. Do we want to go through the exercise and expense to run an election? I don't and haven't got ballots prepared nor do I have vote counters mustered. Any ideas or motions by the board would be helpful. **Bob**

I think someone (John if possible) should take a look at the constitution and see if there is any article or stipulation which covers the situation for an unopposed vote for officers. If so, we must abide by those terms, regardless of what they may be, unless someone wants to offer an amendment to the constitution.

If the particulars are not covered in the constitution then a full explanation must be submitted to the Newsletter to let the members know the particulars. If it is allowed, I see no reason to spend time or money on an election. **Monte**

Our constitution is silent on the matter; but I do not believe a constitutional amendment is required. We have had the same issue in the CWTS and there too, our constitution is silent. We have solved that by following Roberts Rules of Order to have the secretary cast one vote for all officials running for re-election unopposed. We have done this for the last two elections in the CWTS. I suggest we do the same and explain in the Newsletter that we have done this since there were no contested races and we wanted to save money. I doubt anyone will have issue with this approach. **John**

Based on the exploration of options and the agreement of the board we will impose Robert's Rules of Order and have Jim Calvert, Secretary/Treasurer cast a single vote for each position, thereby electing the board as shown below. **This will not be done until September 1, 2012** to allow time if any member in good standing opposes this method of election. This will allow time to carry out an election in the final two issues of the newsletter this year. If any member opposes this option please write to any current board member to be heard.

The Ballot for election stands as follows:

John Ostendorf, R-518 – President

Jim Calvert, R-533 – Secretary/Treasurer

Mike Strub, R-504 – Editor

Monte Dean, R-384 – At-Large Board Member

Lawrence LeBel, R-598 – At-Large Board Member

Excerpts From Robert's Rules of Order

by General Henry M. Robert from www.robertsrules.org

[Art. VIII.](#)- Vote.

[46.](#) Voting

[Art. XI.](#)- Miscellaneous.

[66.](#) Nominations and Elections

46. Voting. If the question is undebatable, or debate has been closed by order of the assembly...

The usual method of taking a vote is *viva voce* (by the voice)...

Voting by Ballot. The main object of this form of voting is secrecy, and it is resorted to when the question is of such a nature that some members might hesitate to vote publicly their true sentiments. Its special use is in the reception of members, elections, and trials of members and officers, as well as in the preliminary steps in both cases, and the by-laws should require the vote to be by ballot... As the usual object of the ballot is secrecy, where the by-laws require the vote to be taken by ballot any motion is out of order which members cannot oppose without exposing their views on the question to be decided by ballot. Thus, it is out of order to move that one person cast the ballot of the assembly for a certain person when the by-laws require the vote to be by ballot. So, when the ballot is not unanimous it is out of order to move to make the vote unanimous, unless the motion is voted on by ballot so as to allow members to vote against it in secrecy.

...But in ordinary deliberative assemblies the ballots are strips of paper upon which are printed, or written, *yes* or *no*, or the names of the candidates, as the case may be. These ballots are first distributed and are afterwards collected by tellers, either by being dropped into a hat or box by the members, who remain in their seats, or by the members coming to the ballot box and handing their folded ballot to a teller, who deposits it in the ballot box. In the latter case it is necessary for the tellers to see that no member votes twice, which in large societies can be best done by checking off the names from a list of members as the ballots are deposited. The ballots should usually be folded so that if more than one is voted by the same person the tellers will detect it in unfolding the ballot...

If in unfolding the ballots it is found that two have been folded together, both are rejected as fraudulent. A blank piece of paper is not counted as a ballot and would not cause the rejection of the ballot with which it was folded. All blanks are ignored as simply waste paper, and are not reported, the members who do not wish to vote adopting this method of concealing the fact. Small technical errors, like the misspelling of a word, should not be noticed if the meaning of the ballot is clear...

The teller first named, standing, addresses the chair, reads the report and hands it to the chairman, and takes his seat, without saying who is elected. The chairman again reads the report of the tellers and declares who is elected. In the case just given he says there is no election, stating the reason. If no one is elected, it is necessary to ballot again, and to continue balloting until there is an election. The chairman should always vote in case of a ballot. Should he fail to do so before the polls are closed, he cannot then do it without the permission of the assembly. When the tellers report, they should hand the ballots to the secretary, who should retain them until it is certain that the assembly will not order a recount which is within its power to do by a majority vote.

Yeas and Nays,¹ or *Roll Call*...

General Consent. Business can be expedited greatly by avoiding the formality of motions and voting in routine business and on questions of little importance, the chair assuming general (unanimous) consent until some one objects. It does not necessarily mean that every member is in favor of the motion, but, that knowing it is useless to oppose it, or even to discuss it, the opposition simply acquiesces in the informality...While routine and minor matters can be rapidly disposed of in this way, if at any time objection is made with reasonable promptness, the chair ignores what has been done in that case even if he has announced the result, and requires a regular vote. [See [48](#).]

Absentee Voting...

Voting by Mail is used for election of officers, and for amendments to the constitution or by-laws, and for such other important matters as the society may order to be voted on in this way. If an amendment to the by-laws is to be voted on by mail, a printed copy of the proposed amendment is mailed to every member with the words "yes" and "no" printed underneath, or on a separate slip, with directions to cross out one of them, and return in the enclosed envelope, upon which should be printed the words, "Ballot for Amendment to Constitution." This envelope should usually have the signature of the voter on it, and be sealed and enclosed in another one addressed to the secretary, or to the chairman of the tellers, so that the inner envelope will not be opened except by the tellers when the votes are counted. If it is desired to present the arguments pro and con, the society can allow the leaders on the two sides to prepare brief statements to be printed and mailed with the proposed amendment to every member. Instead of having the voter's signature on the inner envelope, it may be placed on the ballot, but a place for the signature should be indicated, so that there may be some means of protection against votes being cast by other than legal voters. Voting by mail cannot be a secret ballot, as it is necessary for the tellers to know by whom each vote is cast. By some such method as the above it is practicable to give all the members, however scattered they may be, an opportunity to vote on questions of great importance.

Proxy Voting...

66. Nominations and Elections. Before proceeding to an election to fill an office it is customary to nominate one or more candidates. This nomination is not necessary when the election is by ballot or roll call, as each member may vote for any eligible person whether nominated or not. When the vote is viva voce or by rising, the nomination is like a motion to fill a blank, the different names being repeated by the chair as they are made, and then the vote is taken on each in the order in which they were nominated, until one is elected. The nomination need not be seconded. Sometimes a nominating ballot is taken in order to ascertain the preferences of the members.

But in the election of the officers of a society it is more usual to have the nominations made by a committee. When the committee makes its report, which consists of a ticket, the chair asks if there are any other nominations, when they may be made from the floor. The committee's nominations are treated just as if made by members from the floor, no vote being taken on accepting them. When the nominations are completed the assembly proceeds to the election, the voting being by any of the methods mentioned under Voting, [\[46\]](#), unless the by-laws prescribe a method.

The usual method in permanent societies is by ballot, the balloting being continued until the offices are all filled. An election takes effect immediately if the candidate is present and does not decline, or if he is absent and has consented to his candidacy. If he is absent and has not consented to his candidacy, it takes effect when he is notified of his election, provided he does not decline immediately. After the election has taken effect and the officer or member has learned the fact, it is too late to reconsider the vote on the election. An officer-elect takes possession of his office immediately, unless the rules specify the time. In most societies it is necessary that this time be clearly designated.

A Letter From Our President



Dear fellow sales tax token collectors,

I hope this letter finds you all well. I'm excited to report that the Jerry Schimmel auction went very well. Monte has a full report in this newsletter. There were some strong prices, this bodes well for STT collectors. I was happy to put a few pieces in my collection. They have sentimental value to me as well as numismatic value. Jerry has been a good friend of mine and to the society. We all thank Jerry for his generosity.

Also in this issue you will find election information. I don't know who's running at the time of this writing, but I'm hoping there are more than one candidate per available position. I have great confidence in the current board. I've met most of these guys and consider them my friends; but the society needs the best guys to run it, not just the 'old guard' that's been serving. If there's a better guy to hold the president's position, then I would gladly shake that guy's hand and help him in any way possible.

I will be attending the ANA show in Philadelphia and of course the fall ANA show in Dallas (less than an hour from home). I hope some of you can attend one of these shows. If so, maybe we can meet up. There were a number of us at the ANA in Chicago last year. It was great to hang out with friends.

I truly believe that any idiot with money can build a "registry set" and call themselves a great numismatist. However, not everyone can make friends and have a good time in numismatics. I consider myself blessed to have such friends. Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have a question, concern, comment or if I can help you in any way. All my best, John



Financial Report

March 01, 2012 – May 31, 2012

Checking Account



Balance 03/01/12 **\$ 404.54**
Expenses (03/01-03/31) \$ 270.00
Income (03/01-03/31) \$ 95.00

Balance 04/01/12 **\$ 229.54**
Expenses (04/01-04/30) \$ 45.29
Income (04/01-04/30) \$1330.38

Balance 05/01/12 **\$ 1514.63**
Expenses (05/01-05/31) \$ 0.00
Income (05/01-05/31) \$ 12.00

Closing Balance 05/31/12 **\$ 1526.63**

After Auction Bal 06/04/12 **\$ 2280.90**

Savings Account : Balance 03/01/12 \$3294.00 + Interest \$0.65 = 05/31/12 \$3294.65

The balance covers the cost of postage that will be used into the future. As usual, this report does not include the cost of this newsletter because that cost can't be known until after this statement was made.

DONATIONS: All the donations are appreciated very much and help keep us from needing to raise the dues. Life members, it is okay if you wish to make a donation.

Thanks to James Bird and Jerry Schimmel for donations made this period.



CROSSING THE TRACKS

By Monte C. Dean (R-384)

Perhaps the single most common question asked about our field of collecting is “Where do I FIND sales tax tokens and scrip?”

The answer to that question usually includes coin and token dealers, coin and token shows and conventions, and within the last 15 years – eBay. One answer that is rarely given to that question is to search at STAMP shows and with stamp dealers.

I was recently asked to speak at the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club March Party Convention in Cleveland, Ohio concerning my new book “*Ohio Sales Tax Revenues*”. In exchange they gave me a great gratis table near the front of the convention and very kind inclusion in their advertising. Jim Calvert came all the way from California to spend a few days with me in Spring Valley, Minnesota before we left to go to that show. I was also able to get all of the photographs from Jim’s collection that I still needed for the next book “*Sales Tax Tokens and Scrip*”, so it was a great dual purpose visit.

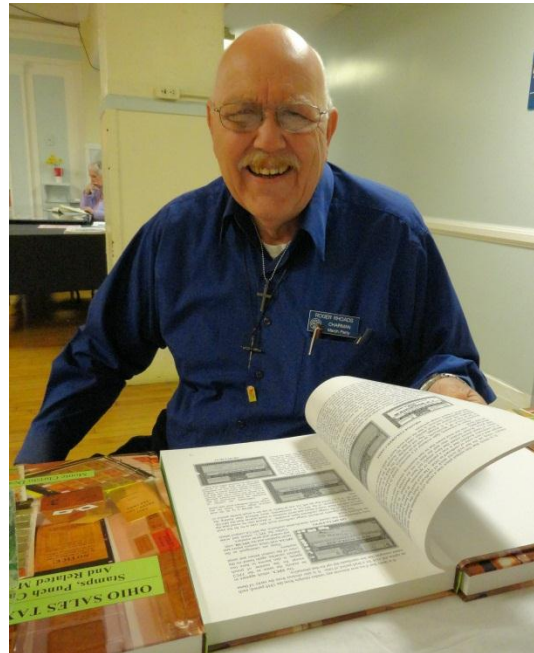
I really did not know what to expect at a stamp show. I don’t collect stamps (other than those related to sales tax) and I have never been to a “strictly stamps” venue. To put it bluntly, I had more fun and more success in finding NEW ITEMS, both for my own collection and for my book records than I’ve had in many years at ANY coin or token convention. I was also able to sell 20 copies of my book, which was certainly icing on the cake.

It helped tremendously that both the State Revenue Society and the American Revenue Association were having their annual meetings at this show – since they obviously like the “tax stuff” too. Every “tax nut” I spoke with was extremely impressed with the welcome we were given. Especially considering that we, as STT collectors, are so often considered “beyond the fringe”.

Below you will find some of the photographs we took during that show. As you will note, there were MANY members of our own American Tax Token Society in attendance, and we even picked up a great new member who has a wealth of knowledge that he happily shared.



Speaking about my new book “*Ohio Sales Tax Revenues*” on Saturday morning at the Garfield Perry March Party.



Roger Rhoads, Chairman of the Garfield-Perry March Party



Several members of the American Revenue Association and the State Revenue Society were interested in the new book and I was pleased with the attendance. I was able to keep my time short, less than an hour, so no one fell asleep.



ATTS member and President of the State Revenue Society, Hermann Ivester, in front of the bourse at the show.

Although I've had many an hour long phone conversation with Hermann this was the first chance I've had of meeting him in person. I consider that meeting to have been one of the highlights of this event.



Several of the goodies I was able to find at the show, most of which were received in trade. Top are two different types of OH MPC (Ohio Merchant Punch Cards), both of which are from S. S. Kresge. Next is an OH SPC (Ohio State Issued Punch Card) with a merchant stamp I've never seen. Note that the next item, the North Carolina scrip APPEARS to be an NC L-19, but is in fact a new type. The size, font type and position of the tear off corners are all different from the "normal" L-19. The fonts used for the letter lines are different, with several other minor variables as well. The Washington strip of 5 scrip I later sold to Eric Jackson for the fair price of \$35. Last are the 6 OSTs (Ohio Sales Tax Stamps) all of which are the scarcer issues with the VOID STATE AUDITOR cancellation punches, 5 of which I needed myself, and one which I gave to Jim Calvert.



Lawrence LeBel (standing left), ATTS At-Large Board Member, and Jim Calvert (sitting right) ATTS Secretary-Treasurer, both helped edit the new book and were very helpful in manning the table at the show. There were very few times during the three days of the convention when we did not have someone talking with us.

At least a dozen people stopped by to view the Ohio Sales Tax Revenue display at our table and to reminisce about their own first-hand knowledge about the use of those stamps when they still circulated. Almost every one of those folks told us about their own memories of packing up the consumer halves to be used by their churches, Boy Scout troops, schools, and other charitable organizations to receive redemptions from the state.

Happily, all of their stories matched the narratives included on that subject in the book!



ATTS member Loran Frazier made up two sets of these nifty pinback buttons from Ohio Sales Tax Stamp receipts.

We gave a button to anyone who purchased a book, or to anyone who expressed an interest in having an example even if they didn't want a book.

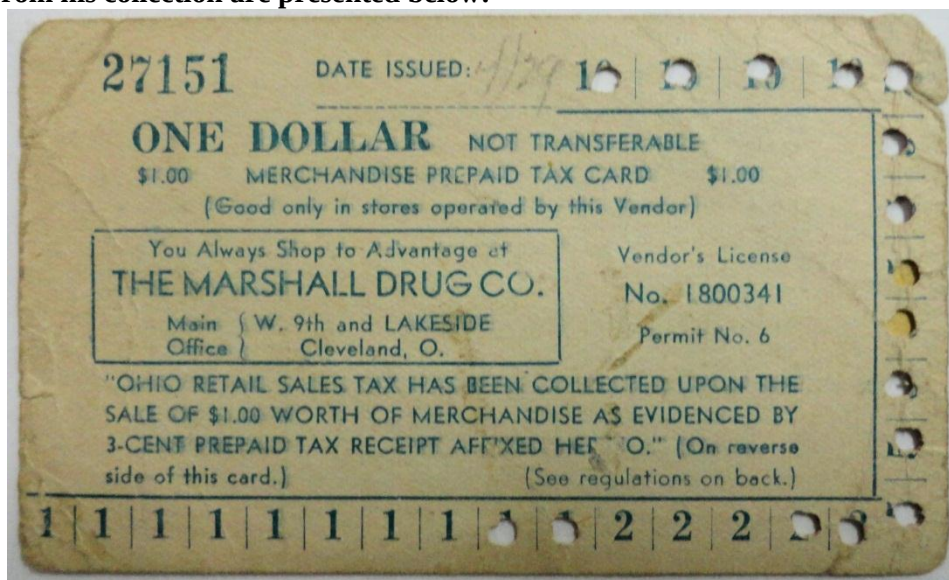


ATTS member Eric Jackson at his table with a smile. Eric is not only the preeminent dealer in all things Revenue but he can be credited for being one of the reasons the hobby has continued to flourish and thrive. Although I've purchased from Eric in the past, and he has bought a few Washington scrip from me, this was the first time I had met him in person.

I was thrilled to discover that all of the horrid stories I'd heard about Eric were completely untrue! Actually, I've never heard anything about Eric but overwhelmingly positive reviews, and having met him, I understand why.



Previous page shows Jeff Hofius and his wife Jacque on the left side of our table with Jim Calvert on the right side of the table doing a little trading. Jeff became our newest member of the ATTS and has an absolutely fantastic collection of Ohio Sales Tax Revenues. A few of the highlights from his collection are presented below:



Here is another previously unlisted OH MPC from Jeff's collection. This makes the 8th newly reported MPC since the book came out in February. When I said that we would probably see many new MPC's in the coming years I had no idea that they would be reported so quickly and in such numbers. The above MPC will have the catalogue number of: OH MPC-MAR-1.



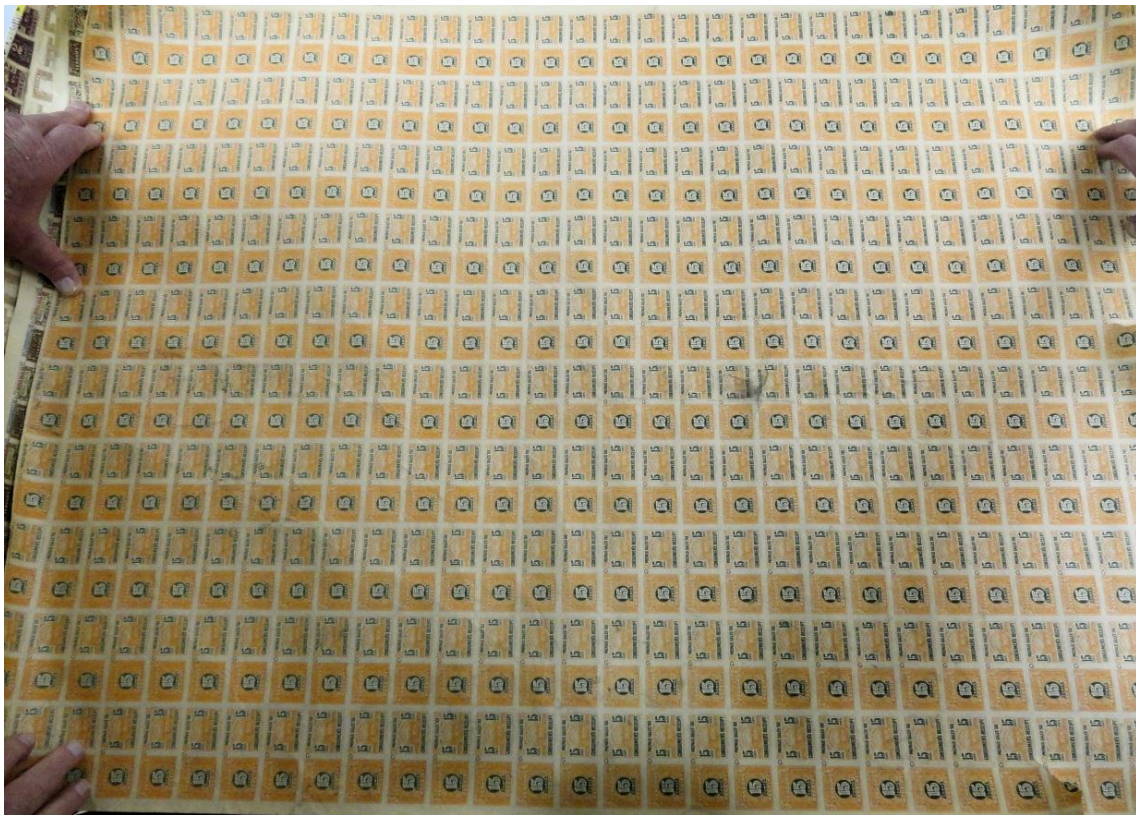
A "normal" CO-15c-4C (1X2) block with odd hand stamped numbers where the serial number would normally appear.

We have no idea why these numbers were applied so it is impossible to ascertain their true purpose or when they may have been applied.

Such oddities were reported on many occasions at the show, including a number of punch holes that were not of the normal "Specimen" (actually cancels) types. These after production variations are interesting to add to a collection but do not really fit into a standard catalogue numbering format simply because they *could* have been added at any time and for any reason.

Jeff also brought in 5 full sheets and 1 large sheet of OSTs that were of the Reserve Scrap Printing types, including at least two full sheets of Double Denominations. We were able to verify that the full sheets were (10X30) for a total of 300 pairs per sheet.

Unfortunately, by the time Jeff came back on Sunday for a second visit and brought those wonderful sheets I was too exhausted to go through them in detail and to record the proper catalogue number assignments for them. Fortunately, Jeff has already contacted me since the show and I'm certain I will be able to convince him to provide us with that information.



Jim Calvert and Jeff Hofius showing off one of the Reserve Full Sheets.



Jeff also provided us with an example of an Ohio Cigarette Tax (10X1) strip that shows the full Specimen Type C perforation which reads SPECIMEN COLUMBIAN BANK NOTE CO CHICAGO. Above that example is what we typically see on the OSTs blocks which are never large enough to show that full inscription.



Jim told me Lawrence was carrying a teddy bear in his briefcase. I didn't ask why. But after I arrived home Lawrence sent me an email with this photo and admitted that he was not actually the "person" who should be given credit for helping to edit the Ohio book.

He said that he actually had his best buddy, Porter, do most of the work and felt ashamed for having taken credit for that editing.

Porter is shown to left. Lawrence also mentioned that Porter is really terrible about answering email, so don't even bother.

I will try to find Porter some New Mexico Honey Tax stamps the next time I'm at a show in exchange for his hard work.

So folks, if you want another avenue to pursue in finding great items for your Sales Tax Token and Scrip collection you really should make every effort to consider a plain old stamp show. Especially if there are a few of those strange "Revenuer" people attending.

You might be pleasantly surprised, as we were, to discover a wealth of valuable information, fantastic camaraderie, great stories, smiling faces and maybe even some honest to goodness cool stuff to add to your collection.

I strongly recommend that you consider those stamp folks "on the other side of the tracks" as being nearly human. Just like us sales tax token collectors☺. Apparently, odd ducks do flock together quite well.

Sales Tax Tokens Online

By Robert Frye L-521 bob@taxtoken.org and
Ralph Harnishfeger R-464 rharnish@lhup.edu



Cincinnati OH Tax Paid 10 cents token from Podgey's attracted 13 bids and sold on June 17th for \$162.00.

Ohio state sales tax stamp collection in Green Lighthouse stamp stock-book, 100 items, had 1 bid and sold on March 22 for \$149.99. I hope this collection had some nice items.

Columbus OH Doersam's Clock 5 cents IT Tax Prepaid token R10, L31 N/L type remained unsold with a starting bid of \$125.00.

A small group of OH sales tax stamps strips of 3 attracted 7 bids and closed at \$62.00 on April 4th.

Ladd IL L52 R6 in BU condition sold on May 19 for \$54.53. A similar token, condition not specified, sold using buy it now on June 1 for \$24.99. Another sold at the same price on June 2nd.

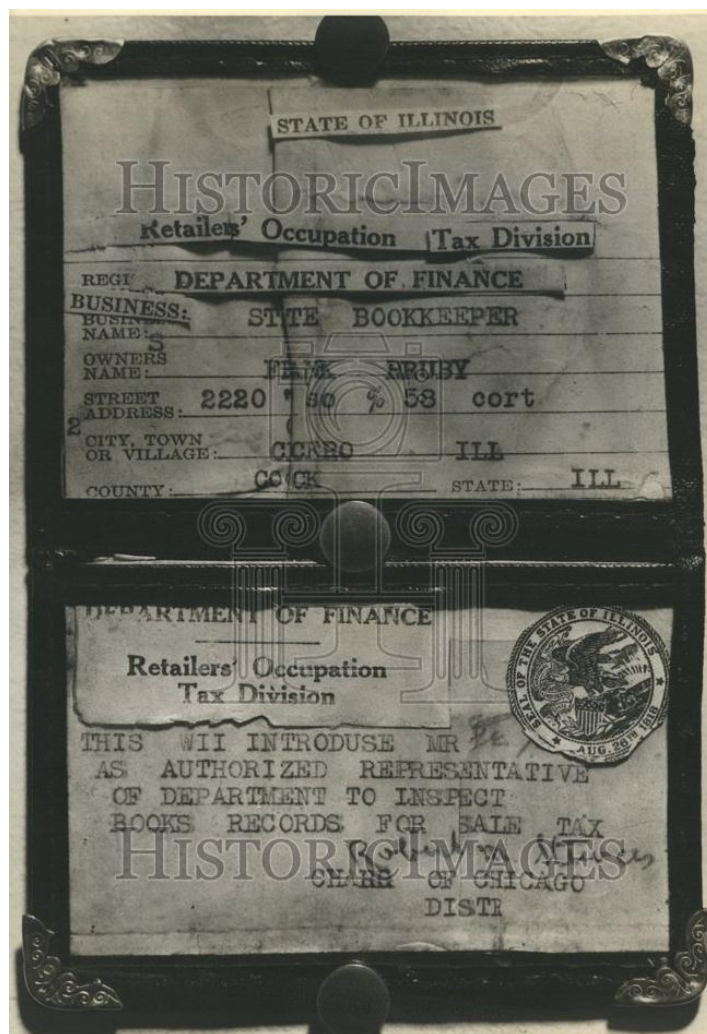
800 CO sales tax tokens, 2 mill had 11 bids and closed at \$53.00 on June 21st.



A New Mexico black fiber 5 mill tax token had 7 bides and sold on June 15th for \$31.99

Another New Mexico black fiber token S8, R7 had just 2 bids and sold for \$49.99 on April 8th

A fake ID badge offered on E-bay. A lot described as a 1938 Press photo Sales Tax Investigator Fake Card from IL was listed at buy it now for \$28.88. I have no record of this item selling but it is interesting.



MO 1 mill cardboard token with 1936 Los Angeles overprint had 7 bids and sold on May 27th for \$48.50.



Rossville IL and 6 other tokens had 10 bids and sold for \$29.50 on June 7th.

NM 5 mill tokens, 5 in the lot sold for \$24.99 to the lone bidder and closed May 26th.

Tryon, NB American Legion good for 10 cents tax paid had 6 bids and closed on June 4th at \$24.50.

Nebraska, "We don't use funny money in Nebraska" wood sold for \$23.99 on May 26th with 9 bids.

Ontario Canada Chainway Stores one cent stamp tickets, 2 strips of 3 had 5 bids and sold for \$24.50 Canadian dollars on March 28.

New Mexico 1 mill white fiber tax token had 11 bids and sold on June 15th for \$20.51. A similar lot closed at \$12.00 with 7 bids on June 30th.

A mixture of 62 sales tax tokens attracted 6 bids and sold for \$20.00 on June 3rd.

Groups of common WA sales tax tokens sold for \$20.00 using buy it now, one lot had 50 and a second lot had 39 tokens. These lots closed on June 3 and 7.



Two different OH punch cards sold on June 3rd for \$36.95 with 7 bids.

Several lots of tax cards from various vendor's were highly sought after this quarter. The card to the right shows one of the more interesting vendor stamps on an OH tax card sold this quarter.



Malehorn and Davenport catalog with many updates sold for \$18.95 on June 24th, to a lone bidder.

An Official Prepaid Sales Tax Receipt Ohio tax card sold using the buy it now option for \$20.00.



A group of 48 all metal tax tokens from at least 9 states had 6 bids and sold June 30th for \$15.50.



OH tax card with Scott Store hand-stamp had 8 bids and sold on March 28th for \$17.50.

A mixture of 28 tax tokens had 8 bids and sold on June 5th for \$15.50.

The Billiard Academy war tax one cent token had 7 bids and closed on June 22nd at \$13.50.

Ohio tax tokens in strips of 3 sold on April 4th for \$62.00. There were 7 bids on this lot.

NM metal tax token sold via buy it now for \$13.00 on June 24th.

Common MO bottle-cap 5 mill token sold via buy it now on May 21st for \$12.99. The same price was bid using the buy it now option for a NM 5 mill token and a lot of 100 MO plastic tokens. The latter two lots closed on June 24th and April 29th.

Charleston, IL provisional metal tax token sold using buy it now for \$12.99 on May 22nd.



A trade token with "TAX PRE-PAID" on the reverse legend, closed on April 8th with no bids and an asking price of \$125.00.

Five MO tax tokens, 4 plastics attracted 10 bids and sold May 13th for \$12.50.

Kankakee IL I49 R4 had 3 bids and sold for \$12.29 on June 10th.

El Paso, IL L38 R6 tax token had 6 bids and sold for \$11.55 on June 10th.

12 common MO plastic tax tokens 1 and 5 mills had 2 bids and sold for \$9.99 on May 10th. Similar lots closed May 30th and July 4th with no bids. This same price was paid for a lot of 13 1935 NM metal tax tokens, 2 bids and closed June 2nd.

1% simplicity tax token from National Council Traveling Salesmen's Association had just 1 bid and closed at \$9.99 on June 9th.

Cambridge, IL L8, R3 tax token had 4 bids and sold on June 10th for \$9.91.

The photo to the right shows a sales tax protest in Chicago in 1941. This photo was offered for sale this quarter.





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War tax tokens wanted. Looking for all varieties of war tax tokens inscribed "SODA CHECK." Also interested in anything else related to the federal tax on soft drinks and ice cream during the World War I era. Willing to trade items from my 25-year collection of sales tax tokens. Michael Florer, 1805 Biglerville Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325-830 or mrflorer@comcast.net.

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Looking for six Illinois local tax tokens: Astoria, Casey, Depue, Ladd, Livingstone, and Redbud. Please contact Mike Strub, promethium@aol.com, or 248 636-8631.

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